

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SANTA BARBARA TO ADOPT REVISED SINGLE FAMILY
RESIDENTIAL DESIGN GUIDELINES AND REVISED
SINGLE FAMILY DESIGN BOARD GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, maintaining the aesthetic beauty and neighborhood compatibility of the City's single-family neighborhoods is an important goal;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara implemented a Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance (NPO) and Single Family Residential Design Guidelines (SFRDG) in 1992 to direct Design Review of some two-story and some Hillside Design District single-family homes;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara responded to public requests to update the NPO to further address aesthetics and neighborhood compatibility of single-family neighborhoods by adopting an updated NPO, updated SFRDG and new Single Family Design Board Guidelines (SFDB Guidelines) in 2007;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council requested a report be written two years after the NPO Update adoption to identify any needed revisions;

WHEREAS, staff met with interested organizations in 2009 and a public workshop was held on October 24, 2009 to develop a list of needed revisions to the NPO and guidelines;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council reviewed a report on the NPO Update on December 15, 2009 and initiated changes recommended in the "Two-Year Review of NPO/Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance/Single Family Design Guidelines Update (NPO Update)"; with staff to work with a subcommittee of the SFDB and the Ordinance Committee; and directed staff to return to Council with ordinance and guideline amendments for adoption;

WHEREAS, Staff has worked with a subcommittee of the SFDB and the Ordinance Committee, as well as the full SFDB, Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) and Planning Commission (PC) on ordinance and guideline changes;

WHEREAS, it is essential for the SFDB, HLC and public to refer to the SFRDG and SFDB Guidelines during project review to ensure compatible and aesthetically appropriate development;

WHEREAS, the SFDB, HLC, and Ordinance Committee recommend the proposed changes be adopted by Council;

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article 19, Section 15308 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines; the adoption of the updated Architectural Board of Review Guidelines and new Single Family Design Board Guidelines has been determined by Staff to Qualify for a Categorical Exemption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA THAT:

The revised Single Family Residential Design Guidelines, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and the revised Single Family Design Board Guidelines, attached hereto as Exhibit B, are hereby adopted.

The Exhibits to this Resolution, listed below, are available for public viewing at the City Clerk's Office and on-line at:

www.santabarbaraca.gov/Resident/Major_Planning_Efforts/NPO/.

- Single Family Residential Design Guidelines
- Revised Single Family Design Board Guidelines